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PRELIMINARY MENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert and amend section headings and amend specification paragraphs as follows. (Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121, marked-up versions of the amended specification paragraphs are attached.)

On page 1, please amend the title to read as follows:

**PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CARDS**

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